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SUBJECT: VIOLENCE WEEK IN REVIEW: SEPTEMBER 26- OCTOBER 2
1. SUMMARY: ACCORDING TO OUR COUNT THERE ARE CURRENTLY FAR FEWER PEOPLE DYING IN EL SALVADOR THAN JUST A MONTH OR TWO AGO. THIS WEEK'S VIOLENCE--GRAM REFLECTS ANOTHER DROP IN THE NUMBER OF DEATHS--DOWN TO 49. WE REITERATE THAT WHILE OUR COUNT SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN AS A DEFINITIVE FIGURE FOR THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO WERE KILLED (CERTAINLY MORE THAN 49 WERE KILLED DURING THE WEEK JUST PAST), IT IS USEFUL AS AN INDICATOR OF TRENDS. END SUMMARY.
2. DEATHS AND DISSAPEARANCES: FORTY-NINE PEOPLE WERE REPORTED KILLED DURING THE PERIOD COVERED. POSSIBLE PER-
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PETRATORS WERE IDENTIFIED IN ONLY FIVE CASES; IN EACH OF THE FIVE GUERRILLAS WERE HELD RESPONSIBLE. AT LEAST FIVE OF THE VICTIMS WERE FARMERS AND ANOTHER FIVE WERE SOLDIERS OR SECURITY FORCE TROOPERS. THE AGE DISTRIBUTION OF THE VICTIMS WAS:

(A) 17 AND UNDER	1	
(B) 18-25	13	
(C) 26-35	9	
(D) 36-50	7	
(E) 51 AND OVER	2	
(F) UNKNOWN	17	
	49	TOTAL

DURING THE WEEK AT LEAST EIGHT PEOPLE DISSAPEARED.
3. INCIDENTS:
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A. ON 9/27 GUERRILLAS ATTACKED A COFFE PROCESING PLANT NEAR METAPAN (SANTA ANA) WITH INCENDIARY BOMBS WHICH DESTROYED MUCH OF THE PLANT'S EQUIPMENT.
B. ON 9/27 THE MILITARY POST ELECTRIC LINES AT A SUGAR PROCESSING PLANT NEAR TECOLUCA (SAN VICENTE) WERE ATTACKED BY GUERRILLAS.
C. ON 9/27 DYNAMITE CHARGES WERE SET IN SUCHITOTO'S (CUSCATLAN) WATER SYSTEM.
D. ON 9/27 CANTON TIERRA BLANCA NEAR CHIRILAGUA(SAN MIGUEL WAS TAKEN BY FMLN GUERRILLAS WHO FORCED RESIDENTS OUT OF THEIR HOUSES IN ORDER TO LECTURE TO THEM ON POLITICAS.
E. ON 9/28 FOUR RESIDENTS OF CANTON LAS ROSAS ANS SANTA ELENE NEAR SAN SEBASTIAN (SAN VICENTE) WERE INJURED DURING A GUERRILLA INCURSION INTO THE VILLAGES.
F. ON 9/29 YOUTHFUL GUERRILLAS WITH MACHINEGUNS BLOCKED A STREET IN CIUDAD DELGADO (SAN SALVADOR) WITH A BUS AND A
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TRUCK. A MAN WHO COMPLAINED ABOUT THE YOUTH'S ACTIVITIES WAS SHOT IN THE ARM.
G. ON 9/29 GUERRILLAS RATTIED SOLDIERS AT CANTON EL GUAYABIA (SAN VICENTE) TWO SOLDIERS AND SEVERAL GUERRILLAS WERE REPORTED KILLED.
H. ON 9/30 EL CARMEN (LA UNION) WAS TAKEN BY GUERRILLAS; THERE WERE NO REPORTS OF INJURIES.
I. ON 9/30 A MILITARY PATROL WAS AMBUSHED NEAR METAPAN (SANTA ANA) BY GUERRILLAS WHO, REPORTEDLY, LOST ONE COMRADE DURING THE ENCOUNTER.
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J. ON 9/30 SUCHITOTO (CUSCATLAN) WAS REPORTEDLY ATTACKED BY GUERRILLAS WHO INTENDED TO TAKE THE TOWN BUT WHO WERE REPULSED BY GOES TROOPS.
K. ON 10/1 A PORTION OF THE PAN AMERICAN HIGHWAY IN SAN VICENTE DEPARTMENT WAS OBSTRUCTED BY TREES FELLED BY GUERRILLAS AND DITCHES DUG BY THEM.
L. ON 10/1 A CONTINGENT OF TREASURY POLICE (PH) SURPRISED A GROUP OF GUERRILLAS WHO WERE ASSAULTING BUSES NEAR SENSUNTEPEQUE (CABANAS). NO REPORTS OF WHAT TRANSPIRED NEXT WERE RECEIVED.
M. ON 10/1 A BOMB EXPLODED IN A SANTA ANA HARDWARE STORE.
N. ON 10/1 TWO NATIONAL GUARDMEN, TWO DRIVERS AND TWO GUERRILLAS WERE KILLED DURING A GUERRILLA AMBUSH ON THE PAYMASTER'S TRUCK OF A MINE NEAR SANTA ROSA DE LIMA (LA UNION).
O. ON 10/1 A BOMB EXPLODED AT THE OFFICES OF AN INSURANCE
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AGENCY IN SAN SALVADOR INJURING THREE PEOPLE AND DAMAGING THE BUILDING CONSIDERABLY.
P. ON 10/2 TWO ELECTRIC POST WERE DOWNED NEAR CIUDAD DELGADO (SAN SALVADOR).
Q. ON 10/2 THREE ARMED MEN ATTACKED AN ARMY PATROL BETWEEN SAN SALVADOR AND SANTA TECLA, A SUBURB.
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